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DANIEL SCHORR: Tonight, the story of an active, Frank Terpil, who 16 months ago fled from a 53 for supplying arms to terrorists. He tells his story in Beirut.

Good evening. I'm Daniel Schorr.

Terrorism looms in our era as a greater threat than war. It causes world leaders, including President Reagan, to live in suffocating cocoons of security. Terrorism operates from safe havens, like Libya. Colonel Qaddafi's oil wealth buys the instruments of terror and the know-how to use them. Some of that comes from this country, American know-how at the service of America's enemies.

Veterans of America's clandestine wars have turned to selling their skills and contacts in the marketplace of violence. Profiting from terror without suffering qualms takes a certain mentality. In the next 90 minutes, you will get to know one of the merchants of terror more intimately than has ever been possible before.

NARRATOR: On the morning of Monday, December the 22nd, 1979, undercover detective Nicky Grillo reached the 27th floor of this New York hotel. On that morning, he was wearing a waiter's uniform borrowed from Forlini's restaurant. He entered this room. Inside was a squad under Detective Sergeant Merv Woike (?).

MERV WOIKE: I was here that day with Sergeant Rosenzweig and six detectives. We brought all the equipment we thought we would need for that day, which included four shotguns. We also

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